GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:324
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LAND AT NOMINAL RATES TO PRIVATE HOSPITALS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether certain private hospitals have been allotted land at very nominal rates by the Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether these hospitals are being run commercially under the garb of charitable institutions in contravention of the guidelines;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to make these hospitals/institutions adhere to the conditions laid down in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS)

(a)to(e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 324 FOR 17TH AUGUST, 2005

Health being a State subject under the Constitution of India, it is for the respective State Government to formulate guidelines for the allotment of land to private hospitals. As per available information, in Delhi, the Land & Development Office, Ministry of Urban Development allotted land to 5 private hospitals at pre-determined rates and Delhi Development Authority allotted land to 50 hospitals/institutions at zonal variant rates. Of the 50 hospitals/institutions allotted land by DDA, 23 hospitals were allotted land on the condition of providing 25% free beds in the IPD and 40% free treatment in the OPD for poor patients and the same were incorporated in the lease deeds. In case of land allotted by Land & Development Office, in two cases, condition of 70% free beds for poor patients were prescribed.

The Land & Development Office, Ministry of Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation has informed that VIMHANS did not adhere to condition of free beds for economically poor section. Hence, after issue of Show Cause Notice, the allotment of land in favour of VIMHANS was cancelled. A representation made by VIMHANS against the cancellation order is under consideration in the Ministry of Urban Development.

The Delhi Development Authority has informed that a Committee headed by Secretary, Urban Development, pointed out names of 10 hospitals found violating terms and conditions of allotment which were allotted land by Delhi Development Authority. Subsequently, Delhi Development Authority issued show cause notices to all the ten hospitals and their replies were sent to Directorate of Health, Government of NCT of Delhi for detailed examination as the sponsoring department is responsible for monitoring day-to-day conduct of the hospitals.